BEFORE THE DIVISION OF MEDICAL QUALITY MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:))
MAYNA MEAH CHOUDRY, M.D.) File No: 02-1999-96862
Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate #G-82347)))
Respondent.)))

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulation for Surrender of License is hereby adopted as the Decision and Order of the Division of Medical Quality of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs, State of California.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on May 3, 2000

IT IS SO ORDERED April 26, 2000

MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

Ira Lubell, M.D. Chair, Panel A

Division of Medical Quality

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12	In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Case No. 02-1999-96862	
13	MAYNA MEAH CHOUDRY, M.D.) OAH No. N2000010234) P.O. Box 788	
14	Chowchilla, CA 93610 STIPULATION FOR SURRENDER OF LICENSE	
15	Physician and Surgeon's (Certificate No. G-82347)	
16. 17	Respondent.	
18	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to	
19	the above-entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:	
20	1. Complainant, Ronald Joseph, is the Executive Director of the Medical	
21	Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs ("Board") and is represented by Bill	
22	Lockyer, Attorney General of the State of California by Robert C. Miller, Deputy Attorney	
23	General.	
24	2. Mayna Meah Choudry, M.D. (hereinafter "respondent") is represented by	
25	Albert J. Garcia, Esq., 1995 University Avenue, Suite 265, Berkeley, California 94704.	
26	Respondent has counseled with his attorney concerning the effect of this stipulation which	
27	respondent has carefully read and fully understands.	
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- 3. Respondent has received and read the Accusation which is presently on file and pending in Case Number 02-1999-96862 before the Board, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.
- 4. Respondent understands the nature of the charges alleged in the Accusation and that, if proven at hearing, such charges and allegations would constitute cause for imposing discipline upon respondent's license issued by the Board.
- 5. Respondent is aware of each of his rights, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations, the right to confront and cross-examine witnesses who would testify against respondent, the right to testify and present evidence on his own behalf, as well as to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents, the right to contest the charges and allegations, and other rights which are accorded respondent pursuant to the California Administrative Procedure Act (Gov. Code § 11500, et seq.) and other applicable laws, including the right to seek reconsideration, review by the superior court, and appellate review.
- 6. In order to avoid the expense and uncertainty of a hearing, respondent freely and voluntarily waives each and every one of these rights set forth above and admits the truth of the allegations contained in Accusation No. 02-1999-96862. Respondent agrees that cause exists to discipline his physician and surgeon's license pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 2239(a), and hereby surrenders his license for the Board's formal acceptance.
- 7. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation he is enabling the Medical Board of California to issue its order accepting the surrender of his license without further process. He understands and agrees that Board staff and counsel for complainant may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation, without notice to or participation by respondent. In the event that this stipulation is rejected for any reason by the Board, it will be of no force or effect for either party. The Board will not be disqualified from further action in this matter by virtue of its consideration of this stipulation.

- 8. Upon acceptance of the stipulation by the Board, respondent understands that he will no longer be permitted to practice as a physician and surgeon in California, and also agrees to surrender and cause to be delivered to the Board both his license and wallet certificate before the effective date of the decision.
- 9. Respondent fully understands and agrees that if he ever files an application for relicensure or reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement, and the respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked license in effect at the time the petition is filed.
- 10. Respondent understands that he may not petition for reinstatement as a physician and surgeon for a period of three (3) years from the effective date of his surrender. Information gathered in connection with accusation number 02-1999-96862 may be considered by the Division of Medical Quality in determining whether or not to grant the petition for reinstatement. For the purposes for the reinstatement hearing, the allegations in accusation number 02-1999-96862 shall be deemed to be admitted by respondent, and respondent waives any and all defenses based on a claim of laches.
- All recitals contained in this stipulation are made solely for the purpose of settlement in this proceeding and for any other proceedings in which the Medical Board of California or other professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceedings.

ACCEPTANCE

I, Mayna Meah Choudry, M.D., have carefully read the above stipulation and enter into it freely and voluntarily and with full knowledge of its force and effect, and do hereby surrender my Physician and Surgeon's Certificate No. G-82347, to the Division of Medical Quality, Medical Board of California, for its formal acceptance. By signing this stipulation to surrender my license, I recognize that upon its formal acceptance by the Board, I will lose all rights and privileges to practice as a physician and surgeon in the State of California and I also will cause to be delivered to the Board both my license and wallet certificate before the effective

1	date of the decision.
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4	MAYNA MEAH CHOUDRY, M.D.
5	Respondent
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7	I have fully discussed with respondent, Mayna Meah Choudry, M.D., terms and
8	conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulation for Surrender of License and
9	approve its form.
10	DATED: 3/27/0.
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12	ALBERT J. GARCIA, ESQ.
13	Attorney for Respondent
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15	<u>ENDORSEMENT</u>
16	I concur in the stipulation.
17	dated: $4/6/60$
18	BILL LOCKYER, Attorney General of the State of California
19	GAIL M. HEPPELL, Supervising Deputy Attorney General
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relevant to the charges brought herein, this license has been in full force and effect. Unless renewed, it will expire on April 30, 2000.

JURISDICTION

- 3. This accusation is brought before the Division of Medical Quality of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs (hereinafter the "Division"), under the authority of the following sections of the California Business and Professions Code (hereinafter "Code") and/or other relevant statutory enactment:
 - A. Section 2227 of the Code provides that the Board may revoke, suspend for a period not to exceed one year, or place on probation, the license of any licensee who has been found guilty under the Medical Practice Act, and may recover the costs of probation monitoring if probation is imposed.
 - B. Section 2239(a) of the Code provides in pertinent part that the self-use or self-administration of controlled substances constitutes unprofessional conduct.
 - C. Section 125.3 of the Code provides in pertinent part that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct any licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay the Board a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.
 - D. Section 14124.12(a) of the Welfare & Institutions Code provides in pertinent part that upon written notice of

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the Medical Board of California that a physician and surgeon's medical license has been placed on probation as a result of a disciplinary action, no Medi-Cal claim for the type of surgical service or invasive procedure giving rise to the probationary order and performed on or after the effective date of said probationary order or during the period of probation shall be reimbursed, except upon a prior determination that compelling circumstances warrant the continuance of reimbursement during the probationary period for procedures other than those giving rise to the probationary order.

4. Respondent is guilty of unprofessional conduct within the meaning of Code section 2239(a) as more particularly set forth hereinbelow.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Self-Use/Administration of Controlled Substance)
[Bus. & Prof. Code § 2239(a)]

- 5. On or about April 7-8, 1999, respondent possessed and self-used and/or self-administered cocaine, a controlled substance. A urine toxicology screen performed on or about April 8, 1999 from a urine specimen taken from respondent at or about 2155 hours on that date was positive for cocaine.
- 6. Respondent's conduct as set forth in paragraph 5, above, constitutes unprofessional conduct within the meaning of Code section 2239(a).

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1	<u>PRAYER</u>
2	WHEREFORE complainant requests that a hearing be held
3	on the matters herein alleged and that, following the hearing,
4	the Division issue a decision:
5	1. Revoking or suspending Physician and Surgeon's
6	Certificate Number G-82347 heretofore issued to respondent Mayna
7	Meah Choudry, M.D.;

- Revoking, suspending or denying approval of respondent's authority to supervise physician assistants pursuant to Code section 3527;
- Ordering respondent to pay the Division the actual 3. and reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case and the costs of probation monitoring if probation is imposed; and
- Taking such other and further action as the Division may deem necessary or proper.

August 30, 1999 DATED:

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Ronald Joseph

Executive Director

Medical Board of California Department of Consumer Affairs State of California

Complainant